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WILSON SEEKS TO AVOID AN EXTRA SESSION

Is Applying "Lash," Senators Say in Effort to Speed Up Congress; Leaders are Impatient Over Leak Probe.

RAILROAD LEGISLATION PIVOT

If Sufficient of President's Recommendations are Passed It Is Practically Certain Extra Session Will Not Be Called.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—President Wilson visited the capitol and urged the senate "steering committee" to hasten and avoid an extra session. Reporters asked whether failure to pass railroad legislation would necessitate an extra session. The president replied that he never answered hypothetical questions.

(ROBERT J. BENDER.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—Senators said President Wilson was "finally applying the lash" in attempting to speed up congress and avoid an extra session. Administration leaders are glad. They are impatient over the leak investigation. They say the probe prevents congress from conducting more serious business.

Many members believe congress has time to pass the necessary appropriation bills, conclude the program and end the session within the required period. If sufficient of the president's recommendations are passed, it is practically certain he will not call an extra session. He will insist, however, that the vital elements of the railroad legislation be included in the session's finished business.

FOES OVERCOME DECLARES RUSSIA

LONDON, Jan. 19.—Petrograd sent a wireless: "Disaster has overtaken the enemy. Danube bridges have collapsed. The Russo-Romanians are advancing on a wide front."

BOND BROS. OPEN DOORS TONIGHT IN NEW QUARTERS

Best Appearing and Most Efficiently Arranged Furnishing Goods Store in Northwest; Formal Opening for Business Tomorrow.

With a musical program for entertainment, Bond Bros. will throw the doors of the splendid new furnishing goods store open to the public for the first time this evening and tomorrow morning the store will reopen for business, after having closed for many weeks because of the disastrous fire that destroyed their former stock.

This afternoon the finishing touches are being given the new stock and equipment, preparatory to the opening tonight. The store as enlarged and refurbished makes what is said to be the most up to date and efficient furnishing goods store in the northwest.

STOCKMEN TAKE STEPS TO FURTHER SLAUGHTER OF PREDATORY ANIMALS

Through the efforts of the Oregon Woolgrowers' association an amendment to the constitution will be introduced in the legislature at this session providing for a special tax on livestock so that stockmen, who are the big sufferers from predatory animals, rather than the whole body of taxpayers will contribute the money for the bounty fund. Such an amendment would have to be ratified by the people at the 1918 election. Therefore in order that the work of killing off the beasts of prey may be continued for the next two years, the legislature will be asked to retain the present bounty law.

CONVICT GERMAN CONSUL OF VIOLATING NEUTRALITY



FRANZ VON BOPP & ECKHARDT VON SCHAICK

Franz von Bopp, German consul, General, and Eckhardt von Schaick, Vice Consul general, convicted by a jury in San Francisco of having conspired to violate American neutrality.

and conspiracy to restrain international trade. Several other persons who participated in the conspiracies were also convicted. It is probable that appeals will be taken.

MOTION PICTURES MADE OF SINKINGS 'MOVIE' MAN ABOARD GERMAN RAIDER

BUENOS AIRES, Jan. 19.—(Copyright by the United Press)—Rio Janeiro reported that the raider sank six additional ships. It was unconfirmed. No names were given.

The British steamer Radnorshire was graphically described the operations. It said the vessel "Sighted a vessel ahead at ten thirty o'clock the night of January seventh. She was unable to escape and the alarm was sounded. All donned life preservers. Six German officers and twenty men boarded us. They seized the coffee cargo and considerable food. They gave us time to pack our personal effects, then planted bombs on both sides of the ship. She sank at two forty five o'clock.

"We saw vessels sunk on January ninth and tenth. A German movie operator calmly took motion pictures

of all the sinkings. The German captain said he had orders to spare all passengers of the big vessels. They confined us to the port bow compartment. It was airless and cramped with Hindoos and Coolies. We were finally transferred to the Hudson Maru and given barely sufficient water and sea biscuit to reach Pernambuco."

It is believed there were three German raiders, the Mowe, St. Theodore and Ortega. The latter are both former British ships. The Ortega is an eight thousand tonner and very speedy.

Salines have been indefinitely postponed. Santiago and Chile reported that merchantmen were afraid to leave port and left raiders operating in the Pacific. The Brazilian press denounced the raids on account of interference with commerce.

LATE WIRE BULLETINS

\$1000 JEWELRY STOLEN. PORTLAND, Jan. 19.—Mrs. Emily Porter reported that burglars entered her residence last night and stole a thousand dollars worth of jewelry.

EARLY DAY NAVIGATOR DIES. NELSON, B. C., Jan. 19.—Captain John Clancy Gore, for ten years superintendent of the Canadian Pacific Railway inland lake and river service, and an early navigator of the Columbia and Willamette rivers, died suddenly of heart failure.

TO SALVAGE H-3. EUREKA, Jan. 19.—Preparations have been started to haul the stranded submarine H-3 across the peninsula into Humboldt Bay. Hydraulic jacks were rigged to hoist the vessel from the sands.

Sailors are removing fixtures from the Milwaukee.

SECOND WOMAN SOUGHT. WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—Sherman Whipple, the Boston lawyer appointed as leak probe counsel, conferred with committeemen. He is seeking the second important woman witness. He expects to produce her Monday, when Morgan testifies.

PORTLAND, Maine, Jan. 19.—The British freighter Palm Branch arrived, bearing shell marks and two wounded seamen. Captain Malling described a forty minute submarine chase. He said the German appeared suddenly in the English channel. Malling changed his course and speeded up. The submarine followed, firing fifty high explosive shots. She made fifteen hits, all above the water line. Four lifeboats were smashed. One shell exploded in the engine room and two seamen were hurt. The submarine submerged on account of the proximity of a large number of trawlers. The Palm Branch continued her voyage.

THREE HURT WHEN AUTO TURNED OVER AND OVER IN ROAD

Turning over and over in the road several times an auto driven by John Thorn, Holdman stage driver, injured three of the occupants last night. The accident occurred near the Duff school house on the reservation. Those in the car aside from the driver were Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Kerr, Miss Stella Power and Herbert Franklin. Mr. Kerr and Miss Power were occupying the rear seat and escaped injury by jumping. Mrs. Kerr was in the front seat and suffered a fractured jaw as well as a scratched face. Messrs. Thorn and Franklin were bruised and shaken up considerably but not seriously injured.

'GALLERY PLAY' SAYS DEFENSE IN BOMB TRIAL

Reply Made to Charge of an Alleged Plot to Assassinate President by San Francisco Anarchists.

MOVING PICTURES ARE TAKEN

First Time in History of California Courts; Judge and Attorneys for Both Sides Pose.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 19.—Chief Defense Counsel Burke Cochran, in Thomas Mooney's preparedness parade bombing trial, said the prosecution was making a gallery play when it charged that Mooney, Alexander Berkman and Eleanor Fitz Gerald conspired to kill President Wilson. He promised to deny the government's charge at the "proper time."

Moving pictures of the Mooney trial are being taken for the first time in the history of the California courts. Judge Griffin and attorneys on both sides posed. Court attaches and reporters participated. The defendants paraded before the camera.

SAYS FARMERS LOSE IF THEY CONTRACT

Growers Should Not Sell Part of Their Coming Crop for Next Summer Delivery, Says Prominent Businessman; Reported That Purchases Now Made Amount to Little.

That it is a bad practice for farmers to contract their next season's wheat crop is the view of no less an authority on the subject than E. L. Smith, local businessman and big farmer.

Very few have contracted their wheat, says Mr. Smith, and he believes farmers who contract make a mistake. Where a man contracts a part of his crop at a figure the buyers will now pay, he asserts, the farmer lessens his chance for getting a good price on the remainder of his crop. Furthermore he hurts his neighbors' chances.

It is reported that some buying houses that are now contracting for inland empire wheat, next summer delivery, are protecting themselves by taking the selling end in the Chicago market.

1916 BEST YEAR FOR WATER DEPARTMENT

Despite Cool Summer Receipts Total \$3000 More Than Previous Year and Break All Former Records.

Despite the comparatively cool summer which reduced the consumption of water during the hot months, the year 1916 was the best year in the history of the water department from a standpoint of receipts, according to Supt. Frank B. Hayes. The total receipts were over \$35,000 or about \$2,000 more than in 1915.

The net earnings of the water department over and above all expenditures for maintenance, operation, improvements and replacement amount to approximately \$7000. The commission is under obligations to put aside five per cent of the gross receipts each year in the sinking fund to take up the bonds when they become due. This would mean that \$1700 would have to be placed in the sinking fund. However, the commission can place the full \$7000 in the sinking fund if it so desires.

Since Supt. Hayes took charge of the water department four years ago there has been a steady increase in the receipts. The largest receipts prior to that time was \$22,000. His first year saw the total over \$25,000, his second over \$29,000, his third over \$32,000 and this year over \$35,000. He is now preparing his annual report which he intends submitting to the council next week.

NICKEL NURSES OF N. Y. TROILLES TAUGHT COURTESY

NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—William O. Wood, president of the New York & Queens county railroad, opened today a "school of courtesy" for conductors on his lines. Professional "cheerleaders" are instructing the nickel nurses how to be courteous in handling crowds and helping fat ladies on and off cars.

\$2,500 APPROPRIATION ASKED TO AID APPEAL OF IRRIGATION PROJECT

(East Oregonian Special Wire Service.)

SALEM, Jan. 19.—Forbes asked a twenty five hundred dollar appropriation to aid the desert land board to perfect and prosecute the appeal to the supreme court from Judge Berard Daly's decision in the Paisley irrigation project case, in Lake county. Daly's decision gave excessive water rights to the Chewaucum land and livestock company. The decision put the Paisley project out of business and they were deprived of sufficient water to irrigate the lands after the settlers spent over a hundred and twelve thousand dollars.

The trial was so lengthy the transcript for appeal cost two thousand dollars. The company handling the project asked the desert land board to release it from the bond to guarantee the project's completion.

The Forbes bill outlined the facts and asks an appropriation for the purpose of saving the Paisley project. It carries an emergency clause as the appeal time limit has nearly expired.

WOULD LICENSE GUNS. Sweeney of Josephine county,

introduced a house bill to license guns and not hunters. He said many evaded hunting licenses. The gun permit would halt all evasions.

VEHICLE REGISTRATION. Senator Minton presented a new motor vehicle registration law, fixing license fees for steam and gasoline vehicles at fifty cents per hundredweight and fifty cents per horsepower. The electric pleasure vehicle tax at ten dollars and the motorcycle tax at eight dollars.

MEMORIAL IS PASSED. The senate unanimously passed Linschmeier's memorial urging congress to appropriate three million dollars to build a naval base at the mouth of the Columbia river.

WILL VISIT EUGENE. It also voted to accept the Eugene chamber of commerce's invitation for the legislature to visit the Oregon University. Stacey and Garland opposed, saying the visit was wasting time.

It passed the resolution of sympathy and regret over Dewey's death. Copies will be forwarded to the president and bereaved family.

27 HEAD OF CATTLE DIE WHEN STEAM IS TURNED ON IN CAR

Though the fact a railroad employee

turned on the steam when he should not have done so 27 head of pure blood Durham, Shorthorn and Hereford cattle, consigned to Metz & Son of Pendleton, were suffocated while enroute to this city several days ago.

The cattle were part of a shipment of 70 head and were being handled in one of the new improved express stock cars. The cars are 70 feet in length and have just been brought in to use, there being but three cars of the sort in the country. The cars are divided into compartments and while the train was in a yard at some point this side of Chicago Sunday night the accident happened. The 27 head in one compartment were found dead.

The cattle were raised by Metz & Son on their farm near Chicago and were said to have been the best bred stock of the sort in the country. The cattle were valued at from \$250 to \$300 a head, thus making the total loss something like \$10,000 or \$12,000.

PRICES LOWER IN PORTLAND TODAY

CHICAGO, Jan. 19.—(Special to the East Oregonian)—Range of prices today:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
May	\$1.30 1/2	\$1.31	\$1.27 1/2	\$1.28
July	\$1.54	\$1.54 1/2	\$1.51 1/2	\$1.52 1/2

Portland.
PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 19.—(Special)—Club \$1.64; bluestem \$1.79.

SUFFRAGE AMENDMENT PUT UP TO CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—Senator Poinsett of Washington introduced the suffrage constitutional amendment. It provides that nobody be prevented from voting on account of "race, sex or color."

NEW LIQUID FIRE TANK OPERATED BY AUSTRIANS



This remarkable photograph was taken in actual hostilities on the Austrian front in Galicia. It shows the liquid fire tank reduced to scientific proportions so two soldiers can conveniently operate it. One watches through a hole in the mound above his trench while the other is ready with the nozzle to squirt the terrible fire at the Russians a short distance off.

9 AMERICANS ARE SAFE AT PERNAMBUCO

Message From U. S. Consul Shows no Reason why German Complications Should Result From Raid.

INTERNATIONAL LAW OBEYED

Survivors Say Nine Vessels were Captured on December 12; Minch Was Destroyed January 9.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—American Consul Stuart at Pernambuco, reported that nine Americans were safely landed following the raids. The survivors stated that the Yarrowdale, Georgie, Mount Temple, Voltaire, Snowden Grange, King George, one British schooner and one Norwegian were captured December twelfth.

The steward message showed no reasons for German complications. The officials said the government could not protest while Americans were given a place of safety. The department is not interested. If Americans were sacrificed, undoubtedly serious complications would result immediately.

A message from Consul Gottschalk at Rio Janeiro said the Minch was destroyed January ninth. One American, Charles Jones, was aboard but he is safe at Pernambuco. The St. Theodore was captured on the 12th.

DOUBLE HEADER GAME SCHEDULED TONIGHT

Waitsburg High School Girls Will Play Pendleton girls in Addition to Boys' Game With Walla Walla.

As a result of an eleventh hour change made this morning, there will be two main basketball attractions at the high school gymnasium this evening instead of one. The Waitsburg high school girls will play the Pendleton girls, and the Walla Walla boys will line up against the oca five.

Waitsburg and Pendleton were not scheduled, according to the arrangements as locally understood to play until later in the month, but a mixup in dates has assured the local fans two fast games tonight. Both teams are ancient rivals, and fast games are assured. According to Miss Bailey, the high school coach, the local girls' team has not practiced hard this week on account of the second team game tomorrow night at Weston, but there will be no alibi offered. The girls have not been beaten this year and in the Temple-Mentzer combination, the school boasts of two big league forwards.

Under Coach Fendall the men have practiced faithfully, and are to wipe out the taste of past defeats. The preliminary between the high school freshman team and the Lincoln team has been called off. The teams will line up at 8 o'clock sharp, the girls taking the floor first, and a twenty-five cent piece will admit to the stellar basketball games of the season.

420,000 GERMANS CAPTURED IN 1916

Russian Service Journal Reports That Number Taken, Together With 7500 Officers and Many Cossaks.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 19.—The service Journal declared the Russians captured four hundred and twenty thousand German soldiers and eighty seven hundred officers in nineteen sixteen. It detailed the capture of five hundred cannons, eighteen hundred machine guns and four hundred trench mortars and mine throwers.

AVIATORS' BODIES FOUND IN DESERT SAYS ONE REPORT

EL CENTRO, Jan. 19.—The Cudahy ranch employee reported that Col.onel Bishop's and Lieutenant Robertson's corpses were found under a wrecked aeroplane in the Black Hole region of the Sonora desert. Indians spread the rumor. When last reported the aviators were flying toward the Sonora desert. The story is somewhat credited here.